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1 The chief executive officer of Wells Fargo & Co. on Tuesday apologized for the bank's opening as many as two million bogus customer accounts that could generate fees for the lender. "I accept full responsibility for all unethical sales practices," CEO John Stumpf told a congressional panel. The bank's board of directors is examining what action it should take against company executives, Stumpf told the Senate Banking Committee. Earlier this month, the lender agreed to pay $190 million in penalties and customer payouts to settle a case in which bank employees created credit, savings and other accounts without customer knowledge. Thomas Curry, the comptroller of the Currency, said in prepared testimony that his agency is considering action against individual Wells Fargo executives. REUTERS

UN SUSPENDS AID AFTER ATTACK; KERRY SAYS CEASE-FIRE 'NOT DEAD'

2 The United Nations suspended all aid shipments into Syria after a deadly attack on a convoy carrying humanitarian supplies, while Washington, expressing outrage at the attack, said a week-old cease-fire was not yet dead. The attack, described by the United Nations, Red Cross, Western countries and rescue workers on the ground as an air strike, drew condemnation from much of the world. Russia and the Syrian government denied that their air forces were responsible for destroying a convoy unloading aid. Moscow presented an entirely different explanation, saying it believed the convoy had not been struck from the air at all but had been destroyed by fire, and suggesting that rescue workers who filmed the aftermath were somehow to blame. REUTERS

DESPITE FLAWS, PAPERLESS VOTING MACHINES REMAIN WIDESPREAD

3 One in four registered voters in the United States live in areas that will use electronic voting machines that do not produce a paper backup in the November presidential election despite concerns that they are vulnerable to tampering and malfunctions, according to a Reuters analysis. The lack of a paper trail makes it impossible to independently verify that the aging touch-screen systems are accurate, security experts say, in a year when suspected Russian hackers have penetrated political groups and state voting systems and Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump has said the election may be "rigged." Election officials insist the machines are reliable, but security experts say they are riddled with bugs and security holes that can result in votes being recorded incorrectly. REUTERS

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2. Where are the Eagles ranked in this week's NFL power rankings?

3. What pop-rock band did Peter Bjorn and John say influenced their latest album?

Rep. John Lewis visited Philadelphia to help campaign for Hillary Clinton, at the Hillary for Pennsylvania offices on South Broad Street in Center City. CHARLES MOSTOLLER

Civil rights icon John Lewis: Hillary in White House 'is a must for America'

Famed Democratic lawmaker and civil rights leader John Lewis campaigned for Hillary Clinton in Philadelphia on Tuesday.

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A day after receiving the National Constitution Center's 2016 Liberty Medal, civil rights icon John Lewis stopped by a West Philly voter registration event to campaign for Hillary Clinton.

"Her election is a must for America if we want to continue forward, not go back," the Georgia Congressman said in an interview earlier Tuesday with Metro. "There are forces in America, in spite of all of the changes, in spite of all the progress made, that want to take us back to another place. We cannot go back, we have to go forward."

Lewis, 76, was the latest political heavyweight to visit Philadelphia in support of Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign after Clinton herself spoke at Temple University Monday and President Barack Obama led a rally for Clinton on the Parkway last week.

"I truly believe that she would be one of the great presidents," Lewis said. "In a meeting with her, in a plane with her, you can feel her spirit. You know how smart she is."

Lewis is famous for delivering a speech at the 1963 March on Washington alongside Martin Luther King Jr., leading a march into Selma in 1965 and lobbying for the Voting Rights Act passed that same year. He's still an activist, recently leading a sit-in on the House of Representatives floor for new gun control legislation after the massacre at an Orlando nightclub.

On Monday night, he received the National Constitution Center's Liberty Medal for his decades of work in civil rights. The medal was previously awarded to Mikhail Gorbachev and the Dalai Lama. "It's good company," Lewis quipped.

But just a day later he was back to politicking with his visit to the Clinton campaign's newest office in the shopping center at 52nd Street and Lancaster Avenue. The campaign now has 55 offices in Pennsylvania, seen as a key battleground state in the November election. He also encouraged residents to register to vote or use Iwillvote.com to check their registration status.

Lewis has known Clinton for decades and praised her dedication and commitment even in the face of casual sexism. He recalled her testimony as senator on health care before a committee he sat on as leaving many of his male colleagues "threatened" by her intelligence.

"I want the American people to get to know her, to believe in her, to trust her. I think words like, 'Oh, she can't be trusted, and she's this, she's that' — those people don't know her. They think they do, but they don't know her."

He said Clinton's experience working with Democrats and Republicans would help her get things done in Washington. Even in a climate of frequent Black Lives Matter protests, Clinton would be best for the nation, he said.

"There's no better person in this campaign that can help solve some of these problems and issues than Hillary Clinton," he said.

Lewis didn't go to any great lengths to demonize Clinton's Republican opponent Donald Trump, but it's clear he sees Trump's candidacy as a serious threat.

"There's something mean-spirited about him. He puts down people," Lewis said. "People all over the world fear for the world if this man becomes president. … He cannot, and must not, become president of the United States."

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BRIEFS

Gay Cape May ex-cop to get $369K settlement over firing

A former Jersey Shore police officer who claimed in a lawsuit against the city that he was bullied off the force because of his sexual orientation was awarded a $369,000 settlement, according to a draft of the agreement.

Steven Pascal, self-described as "an openly gay male" and now a Philadelphia resident working as a flight attendant, had claimed he was fired three years ago because his captain didn't want a gay man on the force, the Press of Atlantic City reported.

Pascal said he was constantly subjected to gay slurs and gay jokes in the department. When he complained about being taunted by members of the public who threatened to "snap his neck in a dark alley" in front of other officers, his superiors did nothing, he claimed.

After he confronted a teenager who had made phony phone calls pretending to be Pascal and offering sex to other men, the teen's parents complained to the department. Pascal was suspended for two days and ordered into therapy, the suit states.

The city and other defendants deny the allegations made by Pascal in the lawsuit, according to the draft for the set.

Pascal was fired from the Cape May Police Department in 2013 after about a decade of service. A hearing officer found him responsible for failing to follow protocol while responding to a car accident.

In his suit, he called the hearing a "sham" motivated by the fact that his superior, Capt. Robert Sheehan, "did not want a homosexual man on the city's police force."

The settlement was first reported Monday by the NJ Civil Settlements blog. Pascal will get $193,000, with the rest going to his attorney's fees. SAM NEWHOUSE

GETTY IMAGES

McCoy sued by cops involved in bar brawl

Months after an investigation ended in no charges being filed, officers are suing McCoy for damages.

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Two Philly cops are suing Buffalo Bills LeSean McCoy and the other football players who beat them up during a late-night brawl in an Old City club.

Officers Roland Butler and Darnell Jessie claim in their lawsuit that they missed two months of work due to injuries sustained during their fistfight with the former running back and two of his friends. They filed the lawsuit Tuesday in Philadelphia's Court of Common Pleas against McCoy, his friends, and Recess Lounge, WHYY reported.

Butler, Jessie and Sgt. Daniel Ayres, who is not a plaintiff in the suit, were at Recess on Feb. 7 when they encountered McCoy and his friends, former Pitt football player Tamarcus Porter and former Buffalo Bills player Christopher Henderson.

The fracas allegedly broke out between the two groups after a dispute concerning the ownership of a bottle of champagne. Butler and Jessie were both hospitalized. Butler suffered a broken nose, thumb, and several broken ribs. Jessie sustained a concussion.

McCoy, the former star running back for the Eagles, wasn't injured in the fight.

The suit claims that the football players were intoxicated and started the fight, according to WHYY. The lawsuit seeks unspecified damages.

Chaotic video of the brawl inside the club went viral.

Two months after the Feb. 7 bar fight, District Attorney Seth Williams announced no criminal charges would be filed in the case, despite Mayor Jim Kenney and local Fraternal Order of Police leaders calling for charges against McCoy.

"While it is clear that a physical altercation took place and that several people were injured, there is insufficient credible evidence to determine which of the participants was the initial aggressor, or if some participants were acting in self-defense or in the reasonable defense of another," Williams said in a statement at the time.

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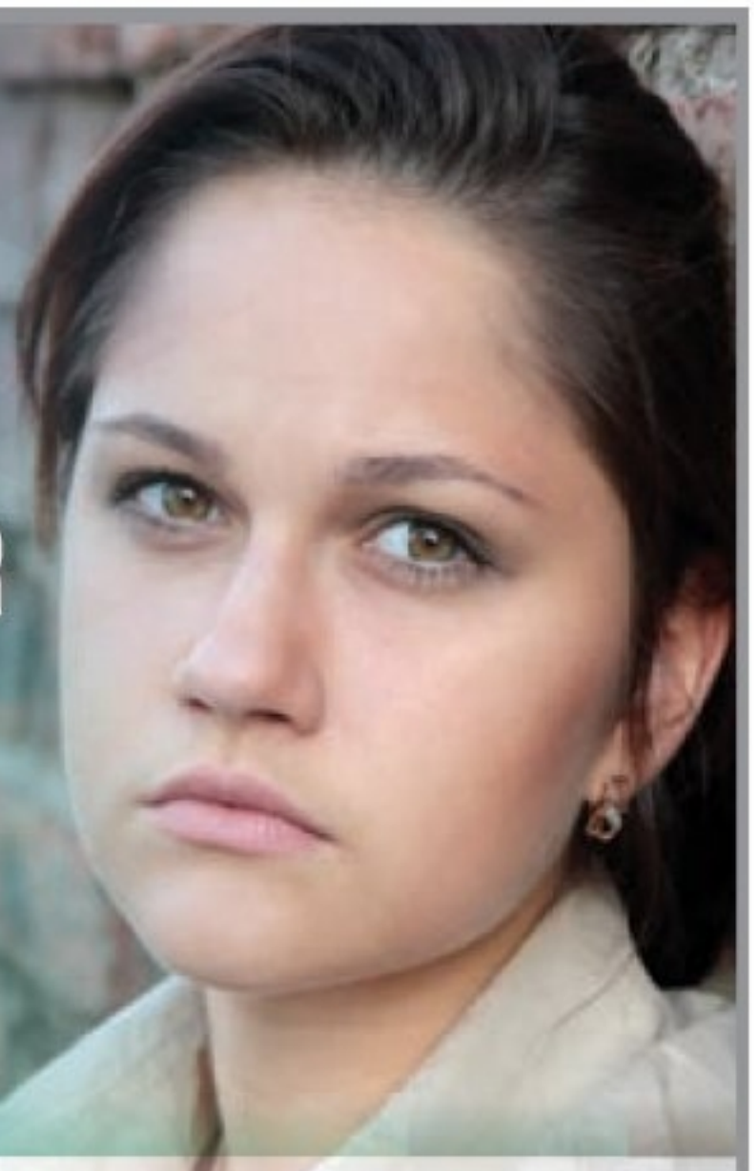

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BRIEFS

Urine-deflecting paint to be tested by Philly transit system

Anyone who dares to urinate in Philadelphia's transit system in the near future had best be prepared to get splashed back.

The Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority plans to test a clear-coating paint this fall that deflects urine, or any liquid, back onto the source.

The product, Ultra-Ever, is being used in San Francisco and Hamburg, Germany.

In Philadelphia, public urination is punishable with a $300 fine. **GARY KANE**

Wounded Philly police officer leaves hospital, saluted by colleagues

Both police officers wounded in a gunman's shooting rampage that killed a woman and wounded several other people have been discharged from the hospital.

Sgt. Sylvia Young was welcomed by a line of dozens of uniformed police officers saluting her as she left Penn Presbyterian Hospital, her arm in a sling, ABC News reported.

Investigators said Nicholas Glenn, 25, ambushed the 19-year veteran as she sat in her patrol car in west Philadelphia on Friday night, wounding her in the left shoulder, arm and torso.

Glenn then fired into a bar and into a car, killing Sara Salih, 25,who was hit seven times, and wounded 56-year-old University of Pennsylvania police officer Ed Miller. Glenn was then shot and killed by other officers in an alley, police said.

Miller, released Sunday after treatment for gunshot wounds to his hip and ankle, told reporters at the Fraternal Order of Police's Monday Night Football party that he was fine and was primarily concerned about the other victims.

"I guess I'm lucky. All I can think about is I'm very lucky," he said.

Investigators said Glenn left a "rambling" note that expressed hatred for law enforcement and a probation officer. He fired at least 51 shots during the rampage and was armed with more ammunition, authorities said. **GARY KANE**

School cafeteria worker quits on Facebook over 'lunch shaming' policy

Cafeteria worker blasted school's policy of not feeding children whose families are behind on payments.

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ISTOCK

A Pittsburgh-area cafeteria worker very publicly walked off the job in a school lunchroom after announcing on Facebook she wouldn't participate in "lunch shaming."

Former Wylandville Elementary School cafeteria worker Stacey Kotiska took to social media to blast new school district directives that she not give hot lunches to students whose parents fall behind on payments.

The rule directs that students grades seven through 12th whose families are $25 or more behind on lunch payments be denied a lunch. State law requires K-6 students be provided lunch regardless of payment status. However, Kotiska wrote, those students who have not paid instead get a meager sandwich.

"It says that children in K through six will be provided a 'sandwich.' what You don't know is that they are being given one piece of cheese on bread," Kotiska wrote of conditions at the Canon McMillan School District in her Facebook diatribe, posted last week. "The first week of school on Friday, I had to take a little first grade boys chicken and give him this 'cheese sandwich.' I will never forget the look on his face and then his eyes welled up with tears."

Kotiska went on to complain that children who receive cheese sandwiches still have their accounts charged for a full hot lunch. Meanwhile, she ranted, countless hot lunches are being thrown away.

"What makes this even more sickening is that we throw so much food away every day," she wrote. "Our Children are being served cheese, being charged and denied the hot food that we then throw away."

The Canon McMillan School District enacted the policy to deal with about 300 parents who collectively owed tens of thousands of dollars in unpaid lunch fees, the The Associated Press reported. Now only about 70 parents are overdue on lunch accounts.

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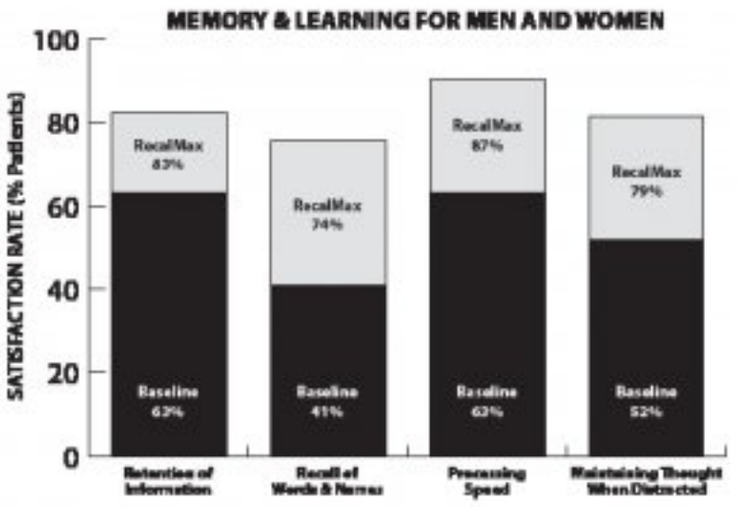
Charlie Walters, 83, says, "I have several different health problems…I guess it comes with old age. I'm always at the doctor. But no matter how many times I'd write my appointments down I'd always be late or go on the wrong day. It was embarrassing. But now, since taking RecalMax, I haven't missed a single appointment! I'm absolutely thrilled with this stuff. Please send me another bottle right away."

Patrick Stella, 68, says, "I used to forget stuff. I'd walk around the house with my glasses on my head and tear apart the house trying to find them. My keys would be in the car and I'd be looking in the house for them. It's embarrassing to forget, especially important things. Before, I'd say on a memory scale of 1 to 10 I was on a 3. Now I'm probably definitely 9 or 10."



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FBI looked into bombing suspect in 2014, found no terrorism ties

Authorities were investigating whether Ahmad Khan Rahami, the naturalized American citizen captured on Monday in New Jersey after a shootout with police, had accomplices in the bombings or if he picked up militant Islamic views during trips to Afghanistan and Pakistan.

The father of the Afghan-born man arrested after weekend bombings in New York and New Jersey reported concerns about his son to the FBI in 2014, but it found no "ties to terrorism" and dropped its inquiry, the father and the agency said on Tuesday.

"The investigation is active and ongoing, and it is being investigated as an act of terror," U.S. Attorney General Loretta Lynch said in Lexington, Kentucky.

Rahami, 28, was suspected in the weekend bombings, including a blast on Saturday night in New York City's Chelsea neighborhood that wounded 29 people, and another on the New Jersey shore that injured no one earlier that day.

His father, Mohammad Rahami, briefly emerged on Tuesday from the family's restaurant in Elizabeth, New Jersey, about 20 miles west of New York City, telling reporters, "I called the FBI two years ago."

The Federal Bureau of Investigation said in a statement that it began an assessment of the younger Rahami in 2014 based on comments his father made about his son after "a domestic dispute."

"The FBI conducted internal database reviews, interagency checks, and multiple interviews, none of which revealed ties to terrorism," the FBI said.

One U.S. law enforcement official said the elder Rahami met twice with the FBI, first saying he was worried his son was hanging out with people who might have connections to militants, but two weeks later contending his real concern was that the son was associating with criminals.

Another law enforcement official said the father "recanted the whole story" about his son associating with terrorists.

The comments by the officials, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, showed Rahami had been brought to the attention of the FBI before the bombings much like others who have carried out attacks in the United States in recent years.

For example, the FBI's Miami office had investigated Omar Mateen, the man who killed 49 people at a gay nightclub in Orlando in June and expressed allegiance to the leader of the Islamic State organization, for 10 months and interviewed him twice but found no evidence of a crime or connection with a militant group.

In addition, the FBI had been alerted about 2013 Boston Marathon bomber Tamerlan Tsarnaev, including a warning from Russia's government.

Rahami was arrested on Monday in Linden, New Jersey, not far from Elizabeth, where his family lived above their storefront First American Fried Chicken restaurant.

Rahami and two police officers were wounded in the exchange of gunfire before his arrest. Rahami was listed in critical but stable condition, and police had not yet been able to interview him in depth, New York Police Department Commissioner James O'Neill said.

The bombings and subsequent manhunt put the greater New York City area on edge and fueled the political debate seven weeks before the U.S. presidential election, with candidates Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton each claiming the other was undependable on national security.

New York fortified its already robust security plan for this week's gathering of world leaders at the United Nations, adding 1,000 more officers.

Two U.S. officials said Rahami had a small notebook on him when he was apprehended, which one of the officials said contained "ideological" musings.

The notebook, punctured by a bullet hole and stained with blood, contained references to killing nonbelievers and mentioned American-born Muslim cleric Anwar al-Awlaki, a leading al Qaeda propagandist who was killed in a U.S. drone strike in Yemen in 2011, The New York Times reported, citing an unnamed law enforcement official.

Two U.S. officials told Reuters Rahami had traveled to Afghanistan and to Quetta, Pakistan, a city where support for the Taliban is significant.

The official, and other U.S. security sources, said Rahami underwent additional security screening upon returning from abroad but passed each time. One of the officials, who specializes in counter-terrorism, said the "secondary" screening included asking Rahami where he had gone and for what purpose.

Rahami's wife left the United States a few days before the bombings, CNN reported, citing a law enforcement source.

Prosecutors in Union County, New Jersey, have charged Rahami with five counts of attempted first-degree murder and two second-degree weapons counts. More charges were expected to be brought against Rahami in federal court. REUTERS

FBI and other law enforcement officials enter a fried chicken store that is owned by Mohammad Rahami. GETTY IMAGES

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Oklahoma launches criminal probe into shooting of unarmed black man

A lawyer for the officer told media outlets that Shelby fired her weapon after Crutcher failed to comply with commands.

A still image captured from a video. TULSA POLICE DEPARTMENT HANDOUT

A criminal investigation into a police officer in Oklahoma who shot and killed an unarmed black man seen on video with his hands in the air was underway, authorities said.

Officer Betty Shelby shot Terence Crutcher, 40, after his sport utility vehicle broke down Friday.

Crutcher's family called the shooting a criminal act and is seeking charges.

The case is the latest in a string of shootings of unarmed black men by U.S. police that have raised questions of racial bias.

In one video shot from a police helicopter, a person is heard saying Crutcher is not following instructions from police.

A voice from the helicopter then says, "that looks like a bad dude too, could be on something." An officer is seen with a weapon drawn before Crutcher drops to the ground, and a female officer can be heard on police radio saying: "Shots fired."

The video shows Crutcher on his back with what appears to be blood oozing from his torso.

A separate police dash cam video also shows the officer with a weapon drawn and following Crutcher as he walks to his vehicle with his hands in the air. A pop is heard as he appears to place his hands on the vehicle and he falls a few seconds later.

Crutcher's twin sister, Tiffany, said her brother was a church-going man who had enrolled at Tulsa Community College to better his life. On their 40th birthday about a month ago, he sent her a text message saying he wanted to make their family proud.

"That big 'bad dude,' his life mattered," she told a news conference Monday.

Tulsa County District Attorney Steve Kunzweiler said in a statement that the criminal investigation will be thorough and he will make sure "the facts fit the law."

The deadly shooting gained national attention after the release on Monday of the police videos, which Tulsa Police Chief Chuck Jordan said he found "very disturbing, very difficult to watch."

The U.S. Justice Department has launched a separate civil-rights investigation.

Scott Wood, a lawyer for Shelby, told the Tulsa World that Crutcher ignored repeated commands from the officer and reached for his pockets even though he was told not to do so.

"He has his hands up and is facing the car and looks at Shelby, and his left hand goes through the car window, and that's when she fired her shot," said Wood.

Shelby has been placed on administrative leave. One of the officers in the helicopter is Shelby's husband, police said.

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Trump Jr. tweet likening Syrian refugees to poisoned Skittles irks candy maker

Candidate Donald Trump has opposed letting Syrian refugees enter, while his Democratic rival in the Nov. 8 election, Hillary Clinton, has supported accepting some of those fleeing the war-torn country.

The maker of Skittles candies on Tuesday objected to a social media post by Donald Trump Jr. in which the Republican presidential hopeful's son compared admitting Syrian refugees to the United States to eating poisoned pieces of the brightly colored, fruit-flavored treats.

In a post on Twitter on Monday accompanied by an image of the candy, Donald Trump Jr. wrote, "If I had a bowl of Skittles and I told you just three would kill you. Would you take a handful? That's our Syrian refugee problem."

A spokeswoman for Skittles maker Wm. Wrigley Jr. Co. said the company did not feel Trump's analogy was appropriate.

"Skittles are candy. Refugees are people," said spokeswoman Michelle Green, adding that the company would refrain from further comment, "as anything we say could be misinterpreted as marketing."

Admission of Syrian refugees has long been a politically sensitive issue, although the country has admitted far fewer than many close allies. Trump has said that violent militants could enter the country posing as refugees.

Donald Trump Jr. GETTY IMAGES

In 2015, Democratic President Barack Obama announced plans to admit 10,000 Syrian refugees this year, sparking fierce criticism, mostly from Republicans who said the plan could put Americans at risk. His administration announced in August that it would meet that goal.[

The younger Trump's tweet drew return fire from the Clinton campaign and many Twitter users.

> *"Skittles are candy. Refugees are people."*
>
> Green

"Thankful my grandfather was allowed into this country and not compared to a poisonous skittle," Josh Schwerin, a national spokesman for Clinton, posted on Monday.

Twitter user Neal Rogers on Tuesday, tweeted, "I'd rather die eating a handful of Skittles than live a single day with @realDonaldTrump as president."

But Trump adviser Jack Kingston, a former congressman from Georgia, defended the tweet in an interview with MSNBC on Tuesday.

"What he was doing was making an illustration. I don't think he was comparing refugees to candy at all," he said, saying some percentage of refugees are going to be "bad actors" without giving specific details.

"What we need to do is say: We're going to be humanitarian … but the reality is we need to make sure, as much as possible, who's coming into America and what are their views on America?"

Trump spokeswoman Hope Hicks did not immediately respond to an emailed request for comment.

The hashtag #SkittlesWelcome was trending on Twitter in the United States, as social media users flooded the microblogging site with jokes mocking the tweet.

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US man to plead guilty to conspiring to help Islamic State

A Rhode Island man charged last year with plotting to behead Massachusetts police officers in support of the Islamic State militant group is due to plead guilty to conspiracy charges this week, according to court papers on Tuesday.

Nicholas Rovinski, 25, was arrested last year along with his friend David Wright, 26, of Massachusetts, and charged with plotting with Wright's uncle, Usaamah Abdullah Rahim, who was shot dead by law enforcement agents in Boston last year when he threatened them with a knife.

The two men face charges including conspiracy to commit acts of terrorism transcending national boundaries and conspiracy to provide

Islamic State group flag GETTY IMAGES

material support to a designated foreign terrorist organization.

In a filing in U.S. District Court in Boston on Tuesday, Judge William Young scheduled a "rule 11" hearing for Rovinski on Thursday. Rovinski had previously pleaded not guilty to all charges. Rule 11 sets out the basic law on plea bargaining.

The filing did not make clear which of the charges Rovinski was prepared to plead guilty to.

"Nicholas Rovinski is a vulnerable young man who fell deep into a rabbit hole of extremist ideology. Although he never hurt anyone, Nicholas is prepared to accept personal responsibility for the conspiracy crimes charged and to face the grave penalties that will follow," said William Fick, Rovinski's attorney, in an emailed statement.

Fick added that his client had disavowed any sympathy for Islamic State.

Wright has pleaded not guilty to all charges.

Federal prosecutors contend that Rahim and Wright had been planning an attack on police but that Rahim snapped in June 2015, telling his nephew, "I'm just going to, ah, go after them, those boys in blue." REUTERS

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Skeptical of Russia, Clinton seen going toe-to-toe with Putin

When Hillary Clinton attended her first major White House meeting on Russia in February 2009, the new secretary of state insisted she wanted to play a leading role in President Barack Obama's effort to "reset" U.S. relations with Moscow.

But while Clinton became implementer-in-chief for one of Obama's signature first-term initiatives, she was consistently more skeptical than most of his top aides about how far Russian leader Vladimir Putin was prepared to go in turning the page, according to current and former U.S. officials.

That stance is indicative of how she would go about dealing with Moscow if she is elected president Nov. 8, aides to both Clinton and Obama told Reuters.

With relations with Moscow already plumbing post-Cold War lows, the aides and veteran Russia watchers said she would likely take a harder line than Obama or Donald Trump, who has praised Putin as a strong leader.

Hillary Clinton GETTY IMAGES

Dealing with Putin, who is flexing his geopolitical muscle from Ukraine to Syria to cyberspace, will be among Clinton's biggest foreign-policy challenges — one made more daunting by the personal bad blood between them.

Jake Sullivan, a former State Department aide and now Clinton campaign adviser, said Clinton could consider the shipping of lethal arms to Ukraine government forces and the creation of no-fly or safe zones in Syria. Obama rejected both.

While such moves could further stoke tensions and might even face resistance from some U.S. allies, Sullivan said in an interview with Reuters that Clinton could manage ties with Russia effectively because Putin would "respect her as U.S. president, her strength, her clarity, her predictability." REUTERS

BRIEF

Obama urges Israel end occupation and Palestinians accept Israel

Both sides would benefit if Israel recognized it cannot permanently occupy Palestinian land and if Palestinians rejected incitement and recognized Israel's legitimacy, U.S. President Barack Obama told the United Nations on Tuesday.

Obama's efforts to bring about an Israeli-Palestinian peace agreement have failed over the nearly eight years he has been in the White House, with the latest push by U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry collapsing in 2014.

U.S. officials have held out the possibility Obama could lay out the rough outlines of a deal — "parameters" in diplomatic parlance — after the Nov. 8 presidential election and before he leaves office in January, but many analysts doubt this would have much effect.

"Surely Israelis and Palestinians will be better off if Palestinians reject incitement and recognize the legitimacy of Israel ... [and if] Israel recognizes that it cannot permanently occupy and settle Palestinian land," Obama said.

Speaking at the General Assembly annual gathering of world leaders at the United Nations for the last time as U.S. president, Obama also said Russia was trying to recover "lost glory" through force.

He warned Russia that if it "continues to interfere in the affairs of its neighbors, it may be popular at home, it may fuel nationalist fervor for a time, but over time it is also going to diminish its stature and make its borders less secure."

Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean peninsula in 2014 after months of protests in Kiev ousted pro-Moscow Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich.

On the international dispute over the South China Sea, Obama said: "A peaceful resolution of disputes offered by law will mean far greater stability then the militarization of a few rocks and reefs."

China claims almost all of the South China Sea, through which ships carrying about $5 trillion in trade pass every year. Brunei, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan and Vietnam also have claims in the sea, which is also believed to be rich in energy resources and fish stocks. REUTERS

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Macy's joins Kohl's, Target in keeping holiday season hiring flat

Macy's Inc. said it would hire about 83,000 temporary workers for the holiday quarter, the third major retailer after Kohl's and Target to keep seasonal hiring largely unchanged from last year.

Macy's, which operates the namesake Macy's and Bloomingdale's department store chains, had hired 85,000 temporary workers for last year's holiday shopping season, down from 86,000 in 2014.

The company has been struggling with sliding sales, hurt by unseasonable weather, lower tourist spending and stiff competition from online retailer Amazon.com Inc. and off-price rivals such as TJX Cos. Inc.

Macy's has been shutting stores in response.

A customer enters a Kohl's store.
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It said in September last year it would shut 35-40 stores in early 2016. Last month, the company announced plans to shutter 100 more stores.

Macy's said on Tuesday it operates about 880 stores.

Other large retailers including Kohl's Corp. have also shut a few stores amid a challenging retail environment.

Kohl's said on Monday it would hire more than 69,000 extra workers for the holiday season, while Target Corp. said last week it would hire 70,000 in-store workers for the period.

Macy's said on Tuesday that about 15,000 of its seasonal hires this year would be employed at its fulfillment centers that support the company's omnichannel sales — an increase of 3,000 from last year.

The company will hire about 1,000 workers at its customer service centers and more than 1,000 to support the Macy's annual Thanksgiving Day Parade and other events, it said. REUTERS

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Angelina Jolie files for divorce

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Stop everything you're doing and take in this breaking news: Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie, aka Brangelina, are divorcing, TMZ reports.

Jolie filed for divorce, citing irreconciliable differences — allegedly due to a conflict over Pitt's parenting techniques. She is requesting physical custody of the six kids, asking the judge to grant Pitt visiting rights. The two were married in 2014 and have been together since 2004.

Of course, there's more to it than disagreements about the kids. A source told the New York Post that Jolie dumped Pitt after a private eye caught him cheating with "Allied" co-star Marion Cotillard.

Pitt's excessive drinking, weed smoking and bad temper have also given Jolie cause to break it off, TMZ notes.

An InTouch Weekly exclusive revealed further details that may have led to the split. A source told the weekly that Pitt's departure for the Adriatic Coast earlier this month upset Angelina, who was expecting him to spend the end of summer vacationing with the family at their French estate, Miraval.

And even before leaked rumors of Pitt's alleged affair with Cotillard, the two had fought over their "sexually charged scenes" in "Allied."

A source told InTouch that Pitt will ask for joint physical custody of the kids.

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Fallon defends Trump interview, plays nice with Hillary

This election season is so overheated not even Jimmy Fallon can make it out alive. The internet (or the one that's terrified of Trump, anyway) has been none too happy with the late-night host, who had The Donald on last week did more than fail to call him out on whatever 50 terrible things he'd just said. He also failed to not tinker with that dyed muskrat atop his head.

TMZ caught a tuxedo'd Fallon walking into a limo and pestered him about it. They started light, asking what it's like to touch his hair. (Fallon compared it to the stuff inside an Easter basket.) When it came to all the hoopla over him normalizing a bigoted monster who might help bring forth End Times, Fallon defensively pointed to the obvious: "Have you seen my show? I'm never hard on anyone." He also pointed out he was having Hillary on, in the interest of balance (or its 2016 election year equivalent, anyway).

Sure enough, our only hope for averting the apocalypse was on "The Tonight Show" last night, and Fallon didn't even grill her about Benghazi or Vince Foster. Instead he jokingly donned a surgical mask, asked if Bill was a good nurse ("He was very solicitous," Clinton replied) — you know, the usual Fallon stuff not worth mentioning.

Scott Eastwood plays an intelligence agent who doesn't jibe well with Joseph Gordon-Levitt's Edward Snowden in Oliver Stone's "Snowden." OPEN ROAD FILMS

Like father, like son

Scott Eastwood, whose dad is Clint, talks about his role in "Snowden" and just doing his job.

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Like his pops, Scott Eastwood is a man of few words. It really is surreal having the son of Clint Eastwood in front of you. Unlike his father, the actor's eyes are a sharp blue, and his hair's blond. But it's still like his old man time-traveled to this interview room straight from his "Rawhide" days. They have the same chiseled jaw, that same mix of old-fashioned macho manliness and laid-back charm. And like his dad, he's intimidating and welcoming at the same time.

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Also surreal: Talking to Scott Eastwood about a film made by someone whose politics are far from his father's. The 30-year-old Eastwood — who is becoming a "next big thing" in Hollywood, thanks to the Nicholas Sparks' movie "The Longest Ride," with "Fast 8" coming next year — has a small but key role in Oliver Stone's "Snowden," the firebrand's contribution to the debate over the still-exiled whistleblower.

True, both Stone and the elder Eastwood voted for Reagan in 1980. (Yes, Oliver Stone once voted for Reagan.) But Stone veered to the left, while Clint, in a recent, instantly infamous Esquire interview, said he was "a little bit of everything," before wearily saying he may vote for Trump.

Does the younger Eastwood stray far from the tree? Whatever the answer is, he's not as forthcoming about his beliefs as Clint. When asked how he feels about Snowden, especially after making a film that more or less portrays him as a patriot and American hero, he's cryptic.

"It doesn't really matter," Scott Eastwood replies with a cool shrug. "My opinion isn't really worth that much."

He does admit he finds "Snowden" to not be a mere valentine to Edward Snowden. "I think the film gives you a chance to draw your own conclusions," he says. "It shows the emotional journey of what he went through, lays out the facts, then lets you decide. It doesn't ram it down your throat, which I'm very happy about."

Scott Eastwood plays Trevor, one of the no doubt many pro-spying types Snowden met while working at the NSA. The intelligence officer sees nothing wrong with warrantless (and often horrifying) surveillance. In one party scene, he's given the chance to speak his mind, and proves unable to see anything wrong with what he's doing. But Eastwood doesn't think this scene makes Trevor look oblivious or evil.

"You get to see his point of view," he says, suggesting the movie is far more ambiguous than it looks.

Whatever he believes, it's clear Scott Eastwood sees himself as just an actor doing his job.

"It's a director's vision," he says. "I come in and I play a role." He even respects Stone. "He's definitely an artist. He's old school. He knows what he wants; he'll tell you if you're not doing it — which I like. I like guys like that."

They didn't argue about Snowden, though. "We never overintellectualized it. Sometimes people overintellectualize about stuff," Eastwood says. "Instead we talked about who the character was. Then you show up on set, ready to rock 'n' roll."

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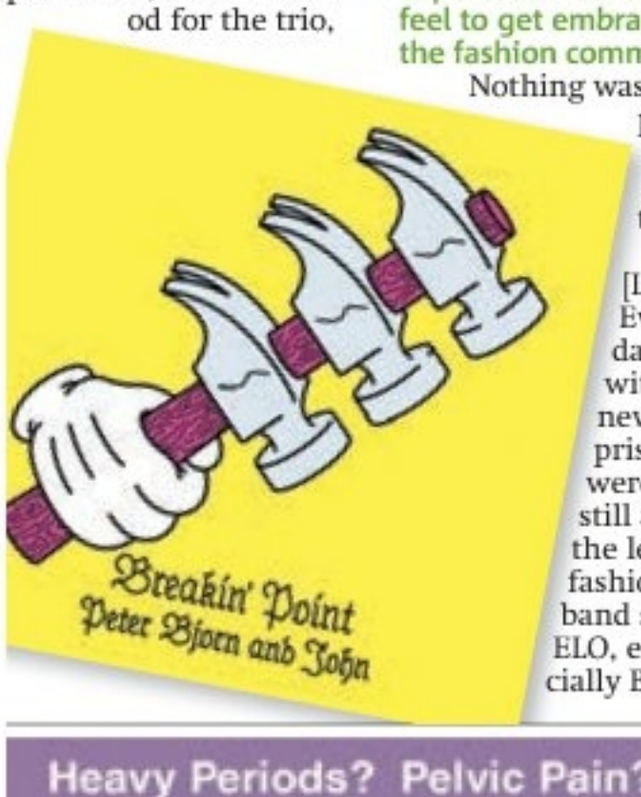
Peter Bjorn and John whistled their way into our long-term memory with 2006's "Young Folks," and a decade later are still making extra-catchy, extra-bouncy tracks with their latest LP, "Breakin' Point." The Swedish rockers' seventh album, which dropped in June, featured the work of a flurry of collaborative producers, a new method for the trio, who typically self-produce. The result is more polished power pop, with twinkling melodies and disco-tinged beats, and as always, plenty of handclaps and whistling. We chat with drummer John Eriksson, who discusses the legacy of "Young Folks," their heavily Abba–influenced album and which member of the band is the worst whistler.



Peter Bjorn and John were heavily influenced by Abba's ability to be heavily influenced on "Breakin' Point." MARCUS PALMQVIST

We're in the middle of fashion month, and "Young Folks" got such heavy rotation during fashion shows the year it came out. Was that expected? How did it feel to get embraced by the fashion community?

Nothing was expected for us at that time.

[Laughs] Every day came with a new surprise. We were and still are the least-fashionable band since ELO, especially Bjorn. He dresses like an alcoholic retired cop. But we all like clothes — most of all Peter, when we get stuff for free. If "Young Folks" were an outfit, it would be a beret — a bit too much, but never goes out of style.

This album was influenced by Abba's greatest hits. Can you tell me about your relationship with the band's work?

Abba were master thieves. They stole the groove for "Dancing Queen" from George McCree. So, as an *hommage*, we stole everything from Abba apart from Anni-Frid and Agnetha. We called ourselves "Dancing Kings" for a couple of weeks. Then Avicii came and f—d everything up. What we love most about Abba is their darkest melancholic lyrics combined with their colorful music. We liked that real, untight musicians played everything you hear on their albums.

How do you incorporate all that clapping and whistling into the live shows? How does that work during the songwriting/recording process?

We love hand-clapping and whistling. They are sounds that everybody in the whole world can make. It doesn't cost anything, and even a child can do it. We put handclaps on almost every song we record and we find it hard to stay away from whistling.

When it comes to doing it on stage, it's a nightmare. Peter can't whistle in tune. He is the worst whistler in the world. On this "Breakin' Point Tour" we have two amazing extra musicians with us. For the first time we can play every song almost as they sound on the records. We have never sounded this good before and this might be the last time we can perform "Young Folks" like this.

Guilty-pleasure question: You worked with Drake in 2009 on "So Far Gone." Did you stay in touch?

[Laughs] Good question. I tried to send him a text once but I think he has changed his number or something.

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David Guetta on the power of electric music

With more than 10.4 million albums sold during his career, David Guetta is undoubtedly one of the most famous and globally recognized DJs. And the acclaimed French artist not only has an impressive sales record, but is considered the best in the world by DJ Magazine as well as EDM mega site, The DJ List.

The producer-songwriter is well-known for collaborating, too, having worked with the likes of Madonna, Lady Gaga, Britney Spears and Rihanna. But Guetta hasn't always had it easy. Before his success, he began his career playing in local clubs in Paris before eventually becoming a producer and artist who has recorded No. 1 positions on lists such as Billboard Hot 100.

In fact, in 2010 he was awarded a Grammy for his album "One Love," which contains one of his biggest hits, "When Love Takes Over," alongside Kelly Rowland. He also won a Grammy in 2011 for his song "Revolver." His fame continues to rise like foam and he is now the most followed artist in the world on Spotify, the most searched on Shazam and has 56 million likes on Facebook.

French DJ and producer David Guetta's 2015 release "Listen Again" reimagined some hits from 2014's "Listen." ELLEN-VON-UNWERTH

What has been the key to his success?

"I do not think there has been only one key, but becoming a producer was definitely an important factor. There is a combination of having great recordings full of energy and excitement, and at the same time, what I create as a DJ and the kind of music I produce," says Guetta.

For him, the most important thing is to make his audience dance, while making them feel a balance of emotions and energy through electronic music. But no less important to him is to enjoy every second of what he does.

"That's what it is all about, because when I decided to become a DJ, there was no money or fame in this line of work," he explains. "I was ready to risk and sacrifice my life just because I wanted to do something I really enjoyed and I've been lucky because it became huge. To be willing to take those risks, you have to work with passion and give your 100 percent."

His 2014 album, "Listen," placed No. 1 on iTunes in 75 countries, and with his late 2015 follow-up, "Listen Again," he continues to make millions of fans and listeners around the world move.

"For me it is about making people dance but also about giving them a thrill," he says. "I want people dancing and having a wonderful time, but also to have an emotional impact and I think electronic music is probably the only music that does those things."

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Jennifer Childs stars as Hillary Clinton. ALL PHOTOS MARK GARVIN

At the end of every year, 1812 Productions — Philly's sole troupe dedicated to creating theatrical works of comedy and comedic works of theater — cobbles together all the news that's fit for laughs (and some that's not) for its "This Is the Week That Is" live comic-news revue. Like "The Daily Show" with moving parts, musical numbers and astute impersonations of our laughable presidential candidates, its "Election Special" presentation of "This Is the Week That Is" comes right at the start of debate season (Sept. 29 at Plays & Players) and ends the night before Election Day, Nov. 7.

"Now is the time when big things are happening politically and people are engaged and need to laugh," says Jennifer Childs, 1812's co-founder and artistic director. Childs will steer her writers and players — a Murderers' Row of Philly's funniest, including longtime head news writer Don Montrey — along with portraying a mean Hillary Clinton alongside Alex Bechtel's hair-sprayed and Cheetos-orange Donald Trump.

Childs loves John Oliver's Emmy-winning "Last Week Tonight" and "The Daily Show." Still, she's purposely avoiding comedy news TV during the writing process of "This Is the Week That Is."

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"I don't want to be influenced by what they're doing, the jokes they're making," she says. What can we do in the theater that can't be replicated on TV?"

"This Is the Week That Is" doesn't shy from the darkly delicate news cycle by avoiding such as the words "radical Islam." Childs looks back at the old saying about political satire ("You can make fun of the smoke but not the fire") yet admits, at present, that "there is just so much freakin' fire." In those cases, Childs introduces her much-loved South Philly-accented character Patsy as a tool in addressing the most challenging of tragedies.

Working with her head writer (11 years running), Montrey, Childs states that there is a historically based balance to their craft and method to their madness. Along with Montrey being "so damned smart," he comes with "The Daily Show" news-heavy aspects while Childs claims to be "the Carol Burnett part," she laughs.

"I don't write political humor like a television writer," says Childs. "I come at it as a theater artist — much of what I create would not translate on TV. That said, Mort Sahl was my biggest influence and gave me the best advice: 'Tell the truth. Make it funny.'"

Making the truth funny means that 1812 must be equal opportunity offenders (they have Republicans on their board who make sure both sides get skewered) with no better opportunity to do that skewering than when Childs plays Clinton, and Bechtel — a valued Philly theater vet — tramples Trump.

"I always imagine Hillary as Elaine Stritch," says Childs, thinking of the Broadway great and frequent "30 Rock" guest actress.

"The thing I tend to focus on in preparing our Trump is to find his energetic and behavioral frequencies, and then play them at an outsized level," says Bechtel. "In that way, Trump almost becomes a commedia character, or a living cartoon." Rather than imitate or mimic Trump, Bechtel's fully-invested performance explodes The Donald's outlandish character traits without taking them home with the actor. "We tend to wear our characters as lightly as a hat in this show."

Yes, it is a stone-cold bummer that Bechtel must consume a steady diet of Trump's television harangues. "To satirize him, you have to listen to him," states Childs. But what if he wins the election?

"Short, snarky answer: Toronto," says Childs. "The longer, more complicated, let's-start-drinking answer: Stay and fight. This is an incredible country, with all of its issues. There are things possible here that are not possible anywhere in the world. I don't want to give that up. No matter who wins, this election has stirred up a lot of division and hatred and ugliness — that's not going away no matter who is in the White House. We all have our work cut out for us."

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To the outside observer, watching a group of people dance wildly to the music in their headphones might make you scratch your head at first. You really can't knock it until you've tried it, however, and the success of Philly's own "silent" party series, Silent Philly, shows that this trend is here to stay. Launched just a year ago, the company has multiple parties a month locally and is starting to branch out to markets like Chicago. We chatted with its president, Eddie Ross, about how a silent party works and why they can be more appealing than a traditional noisy night out.

The concept of a silent party might be hard for some to grasp. Can you explain what it is?
Picture a regular night out. You go to a bar or a club with your group of friends and you hear one DJ playing one type of music. Someone in your group is going to be happy but maybe not everyone's happy [with the music]. At a Silent Party, everyone's happy and in the same place because you get to pick between three different DJs. If you wanted to stick to the hip-hop station, you put on your headphones and listen to that. If one of your friends liked music from the '80s, '90s or 2000s, we have a station for that, too.

Can I switch stations once I pick one?
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Each of the three stations corresponds to the color. If your headphones are blue, you're listening to hip-hop. If they're red, you're listening to the '80s, '90s, 2000s station. If they're green, you're listening to Top 40 and EDM. That switches sometimes when we do special events which may be a Latin night or a reggae night.

I read that there's a DJ-competition component to these parties. What's that about?
With the three stations, we have three different

A minimum of three DJs perform at each Silent Philly event.

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DJs and they're lined up next to each other on a stage. The DJ can see the crowd so they know who's playing a really good song, who's playing something different that the crowd may not be feeling by how many headphones are on their color. So they each play within their genre of music. It's a competition between themselves and against their own DJ skills to make sure they're doing the best set they can and trying to give the crowd an awesome party.

Do you think silent parties make people more sociable or less sociable?

You actually have the opportunity to be both, which I'm in favor of. There's sometimes you may go to a party and you want to be a social butterfly and go out and make friends and all of that or you may want to go out and just have a drink and be to yourself and relax after work, with our party you can really do both.

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I didn't think of it that way before.

Compare it to a regular bar. It's really hard to talk to somebody and get to know them more because the music is pounding. At our parties, all you have to do is take the headphones off and it's quiet. You can have a conversation at the volume we're having right now so it's really easy to do that. But also if you don't want to have a conversation, you can leave your headphones on and you're in your own world.

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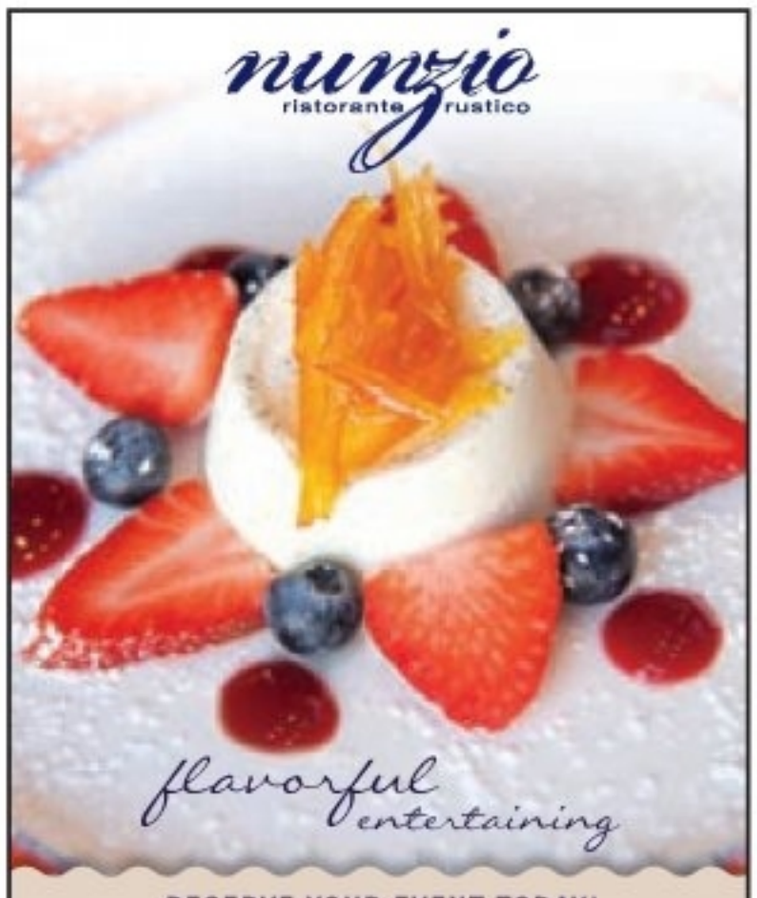

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Your partner makes a house a home. Or at least, that's the theory put forth by countless Pinterest signs. In reality, if you leap into cohabitation before doing some significant soul searching and real talking, your significant other could become a significant pain. Before you sign that lease — seriously, put that pen down right now — we asked the experts what couples should consider before shacking up.

Understand your mutual apartment budget

When you're merely dating, a partner's cramped studio can seem cozy. But when you're apartment shopping together, the reality sets in — "cozy" is a nice was of saying cheap. Before you even look at listings, discuss budget limitations and amenity needs. "If one partner is a higher earner and used to living a certain way and the other partner can't contribute as much, an agreement must be made on how much the lower earner can contribute," says Caitlin Cooper, a New York City-based matchmaker with national service Three Day Rule. "If this happens, the higher earner can never throw this in the other's face. You make the choice and you let it be."

Discuss money — thoroughly

There's a reason you didn't talk about money before: it's incredibly uncomfortable. But it's crucial — if not exactly romantic — to have an understanding of who is picking up the many bills about to land on the coffee table. "It is very important to discuss money because sometimes the dynamic changes from dating to when you move in together, and sometimes the expectations regarding this differ," says author and psychologist Paulette Sherman. "Perhaps the guy was paying for dates and now he has an expectation that you will both go Dutch with rent and bills. Discuss gender roles and feelings about money up-front."

Put your roommate hat on

It's not exactly sexy, but clearly dividing up chores is crucial when you're living together. "Be a spy and see how the other lives," says Cooper. "If he or she is messy and you require a very clean house, propose a cleaning service before moving in together to avoid fights. If finances don't permit, divide up some responsibilities so it doesn't fall on the other. If things are still not getting done this way, you can set aside some time every week to clean together. Make some breakfast, put on some tunes and divide things up."

Re-evaluate "your" space

If your partner is moving into your apartment, be prepared to stop thinking of it as "yours" — and maybe say goodbye to your beloved pink velvet couch. "This can be really tricky," says Sherman. "Sometimes the one moving in feels that there aren't designated spaces for their stuff or that the existing style doesn't match their needs or preferences. It's important to discuss this and to make the old space a new one that suits both people's needs."

Know why you're taking the step

There are a lot of reasons to move in together, and not all of them are healthy for your relationship. Before looking at apartments, look at your relationship. "Ask yourself and each other, 'Why are we doing this?'" says Cooper. "The answer should be because you want to move forward as a couple and deepen your relationship. The intention is so important and hopefully about furthering commitment, seeing if you can live with this person and to explore spending a life together."

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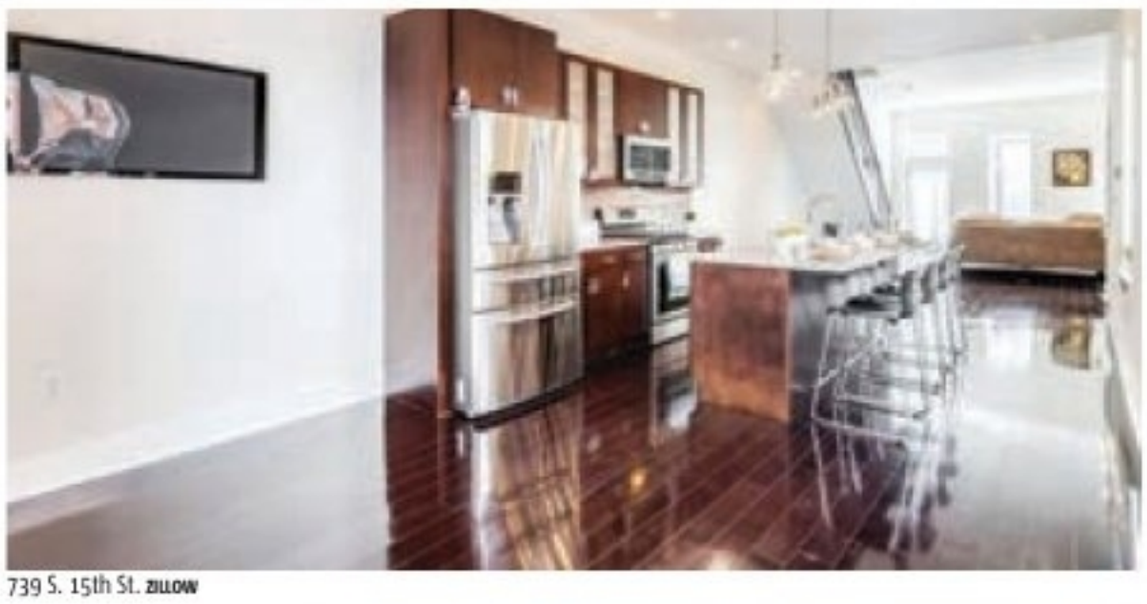

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First up, this spacious six-bedroom stunner in the Greenfield School catchment, on the market for $700,000. Built in 1915, this home is on Philadelphia's Register of Historic Places, and has been pristinely maintained and updated in a way that perfectly blends modern amenities with old-world charm.

Enter through a tiled hallway into a dramatic living and dining room, with high ceilings, a bay window that fills the room with sunlight, original crown molding, pine floors and a custom built walnut buffet cabinet. An entryway leads to the kitchen, which includes ample countertop and cabinet space, updated stainless steel apartments and a sunny breakfast room. Upstairs, there are two full bathrooms and gorgeous exposed brick.

1529 Montrose St.

If new construction is more your style, go for this ultra-sleek home with three bedrooms and two bathrooms, listed for $650,000. Perfect for owners who want smart houses, this property features wired audio throughout, a video intercom system and a security system.

This spot is all about entertaining: Climb three flights to the rooftop deck, with a stellar city skyline view, wet bar and wine cooler attached on the pilot house. Or host friends in the kitchen, where updated appliances, a subway tile backsplash and a breakfast bar with granite countertops.

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Also built in 1915, this five-bedroom, three-and-a-half-bathroom home is listed for $745,000. But city living doesn't mean you have to skimp on space. This 3,800-square-foot home includes soaring 12-foot ceilings, three outdoor decks, an 8-foot granite island in the kitchen, ample closet space and a Jacuzzi soaking tub in the master bath. Not to mention the high-end finishes: Gorgeous hardwood floors throughout, Italian tile in bathrooms, professional grade stainless steel appliances and a stacked-stone backsplash.

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Doug Pederson may prove to be a better coach than he was NFL quarterback. GETTY IMAGES

EAGLES ROOKIE SHINES AGAIN — NO, THE OTHER ONE

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OPINION

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The rookie wowed 'em again Monday night. Composed, in charge, unfazed by inexperience. He marched into Soldier Field, grabbed a win against the Bears and announced his presence with authority.

No, not that rookie. Hey, Carson Wentz was brilliant. Again. There will be plenty of stories this week aptly praising No. 11.

But let's give due to that swashbuckling first-year head coach Doug Pederson, now 2-0 and seeming to be the leader we've long yearned for — but sure didn't expect.

For a second game, Pederson proved to be gutsy, innovative and in charge. You saw it in the first drive — a no-huddle, empty-backfield series where the coach trusted his young QB to handle new challenges.

That drive stalled, fourth-and-2 at Chicago's 28. But for the second straight game, Pederson went for it. Wentz threw a 9-yarder to Dorial Green-Beckham to keep it going, and the Eagles ended up taking a 3-0 lead.

When he was miked up during last week's Cleveland game, Pederson explained to offensive coordinator Frank Reich his theory of going for it on fourth down: "It does something to the psyche of the defense. One, it's good for our team, but they're like, damn."

A confidence crusher for the other team, Pederson has now gone for it on fourth down four times in the first two games. He's made all four. That's what we thought we were getting — but never did — under Chip Kelly.

Let's be honest: Doug Pederson was the coach none of us wanted after Kelly was axed. He was viewed as a dull incarnation of Andy Reid. There was no fondness from his playing days here. He had never been a head coach above high school. And, as offensive coordinator of the Chiefs, he took the blame for the bumbling clock management in last year's playoffs.

But the Pederson we've seen is nothing resembling those low expectations. So far, at least, he's a master of innovative play calling, like the sneaky screen pass to Nelson Agholor that moved the chains during a third-quarter touchdown drive. And, unlike his mentor, Pederson has been a master of time management through the first two games. Even with a rookie quarterback, he has not had to waste a timeout.

This will all be tested. The Eagles, impressive as they've been, may have opened with their two easiest matchups of the season. The Steelers come to town Sunday, and they are formidable. It's easier for any coach to be ballsy against a bad team than it is against one that sends Antonio Brown down the seam.

Regardless, even if the next game is a blowout loss, the rookie coach appears to be a revelation. Already, he's built great confidence in his young quarterback, his team and the fan base. And teams scouting the Eagles see they have much more of a challenge than they likely expected.

I thought Doug Pederson was going to be vanilla. Turns out, he's much more complex than that.

Roethlisberger beware: The Eagles have become quarterback killers

It's been two weeks and the Eagles have knocked out two opposing quarterbacks.

In a violent league, Philly has seen some pretty violent results on the opposing sideline as they have sent Browns QB Robert Griffin III and Bears QB Jay Cutler to stadium exam rooms in back to back weeks.

RG3 is now expected to be able to return after 10 to 12 weeks and Cutler's thumb injury has the Bears — according to NFL insider Ian Rapoport — preparing for a lengthy absence, though he won't require surgery.

Some luck certainly played a role, but the Eagles front four has been getting in quarterbacks faces on a high percentage of plays thus far. Philly has six sacks and has six players with tackles for loss.

Ben Roethlisberger comes to town next week with the Steelers, for a 4:25 p.m. start on CBS, and they are undoubtedly a step up from the lowly Browns and Bears, but there will be pressure. Roethlisberger will by far be the best quarterback the team has faced thus far.

"Ben is big, strong, physical in the pocket, hard to bring down and continues to have great vision down the field," Eagles coach Doug Pederson said.

Philly's defense has to, at least on paper, intimidate the Steelers a bit. The Eagles lead the entire NFL in point differential and have a +5 turnover differential, having turned it over zero times thus far.

Roethlisberger has only played in Philadelphia once before, but the memory hasn't faded. The Steelers signal-caller told a Pittsburgh radio station he actually mulled retirement after being bruised and battered at Lincoln Financial Field.

"I'm not a big remembering games-type guy, especially losses, but that's one that I do remember vividly," Roethlisberger said. "I remember getting sacked eight or nine times. I remember driving home from the airport after that game and thinking to myself, 'Do I want to keep doing this? Do I really want to keep playing football.'"

The Eagles hope they can make it just as welcoming when he returns this coming weekend. EVAN MACY

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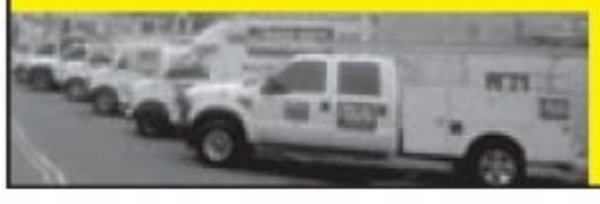

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Steelers (2-0)

The rainy weather in Pittsburgh did what seemingly no amount of player suspensions could — slowed down the Steelers offense. And it didn't matter, they bested the Bengals and won despite getting just 39 yards from Antonio Brown.

No. 2

Broncos (2-0)

Demarcus Ware's injury hurts, but no one has shown any signs of being able to stop this pass rush yet this season. In Week 3, the Bengals may be a little better equipped to try than the Colts were, and we'll see how the Broncos fare outside the friendly confines of Mile High.

No. 3

Patriots (2-0)

It's a shame to see Jimmy Garoppolo injured after the start to the season he enjoyed: beating the Cardinals in their backyard and building a 21-0 lead on the Dolphins before he had to leave. Getting him back in time for Thursday's matchup with the Texans will be a tall order.

No. 4

Panthers (1-1)

Injuries are becoming a theme in the top five this week, as the Panthers will lose Jonathan Stewart for a couple weeks. The run game didn't slow down against the 49ers though, with Fozzy Whittaker grabbing a 100-yard day on 16 carries.

No. 5

Cardinals (1-1)

The Cardinals bounced back from their opening-week loss to the Patriots in a big way, embarrassing Tampa Bay. The joyride may well continue when they travel to Buffalo in Week 3. Watching Larry Fitzgerald through two weeks (and 13 seasons) has been a joy.

No. 6

Vikings (2-0)

Stefon Diggs has one good game and one outstanding game this season, and Sam Bradford looks perfectly content to look Diggs' way. The run game, ineffective long before Adrian Peterson left the game injured, is the only major flaw right now in Minnesota.

No. 7

Texans (2-0)

The Texans' new pieces are gelling, as Will Fuller notched his second 100-yard receiving day in as many career games. The win over Kansas City was a big moment, as the Chiefs beat the Texans twice in Houston in 2016, including the Texans' brutal dismissal from the 2016 playoffs.

No. 8

Bengals (1-1)

The Bengals had themselves in the game against the Steelers, until both final drives ended in fumbles (one a desperation pitch on the game's final play). They'll have a third straight tough opponent when Denver comes to town, and a third straight close finish seems likely.

No. 9

Jets (1-1)

The Jets offense may have never played as well as it did in the Thursday night victory over Buffalo. Matt Forte found the end zone three times; Brandon Marshall returned from injury mid-game to hit 100 yards receiving and was joined there by Eric Decker.

No. 16

Eagles (2-0)

Carson Wentz and the Eagles pass rush looked just as impressive in their victory over the Bears as they did in Week 1. The next test, Pittsburgh, will be a vast step up for both, and a challenge that should show us whether the Eagles are for real.

Eagles say they're not worried about WR drops

It would have been a much bigger story had the Eagles lost Monday, but it's no less surprising — and no less worrisome. The Eagles' top two wide receivers sometimes have butterfingers. And Eagles quarterback Carson Wentz is getting burned.

Drops by Jordan Matthews and Nelson Agholor cost the Eagles two more touchdowns against the Bears, though ultimately it wouldn't matter as Philly prevailed against Chicago, 29-14. Head coach Doug Pederson is not panicking, though.

"They continue to work every day," the coach said. "You know, sometimes things like that happen. They know. They understand, they're professionals. They pride themselves in catching the football. You could tell last night they were mad at themselves.

"I'm not going to stop calling plays to them because I know they're explosive guys for us. We've just got to continue to work."

Matthews has caught just 13-of-23 targets over the first two games and Agholor 8-of-12. A few of those times the defense plays a part, or the QB makes a bad throw, but Wentz has shown he is rarely off target.

The drops won't dissuade Wentz and Pederson from calling their numbers, though.

"For me, as a play-caller and being in that position as a quarterback, I actually want to call plays to go right back to those guys and get them right back catching the football and focused in and letting those guys work," Pederson said. EVAN MACY

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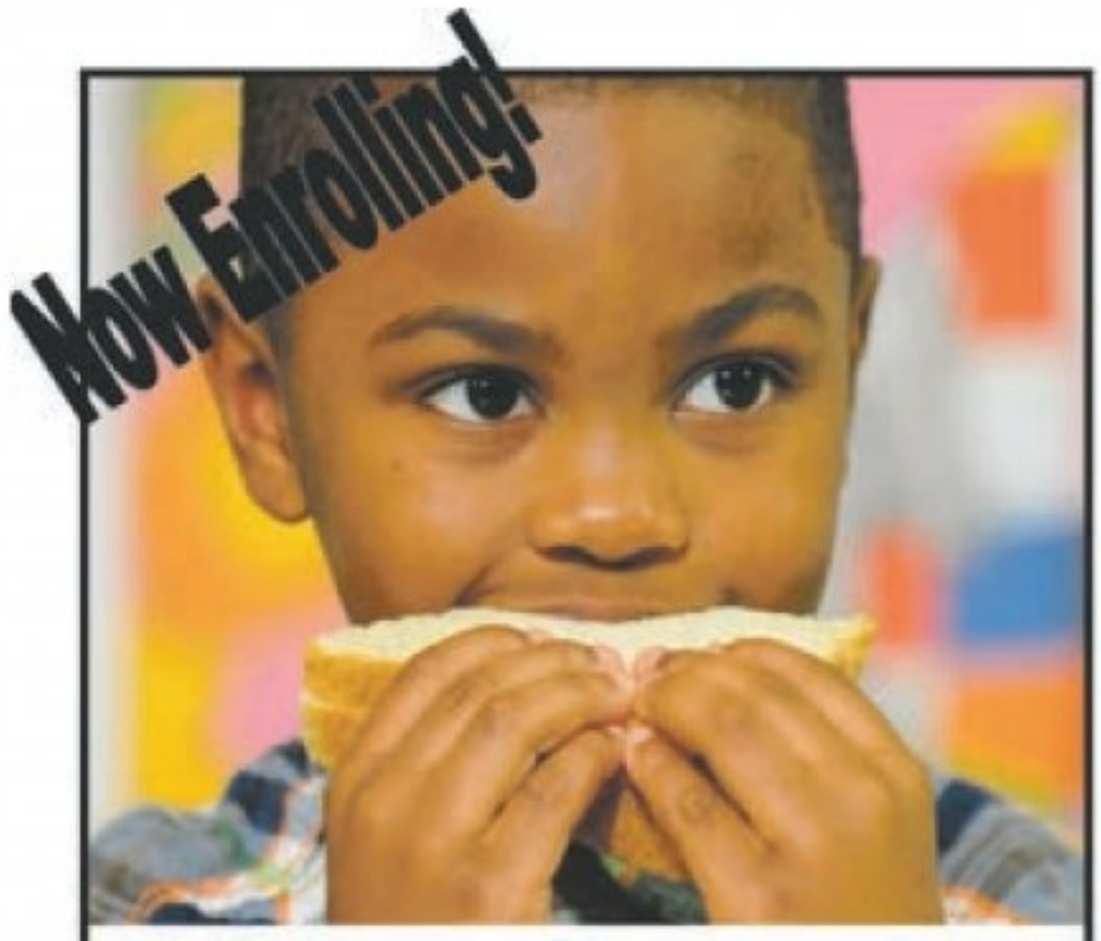

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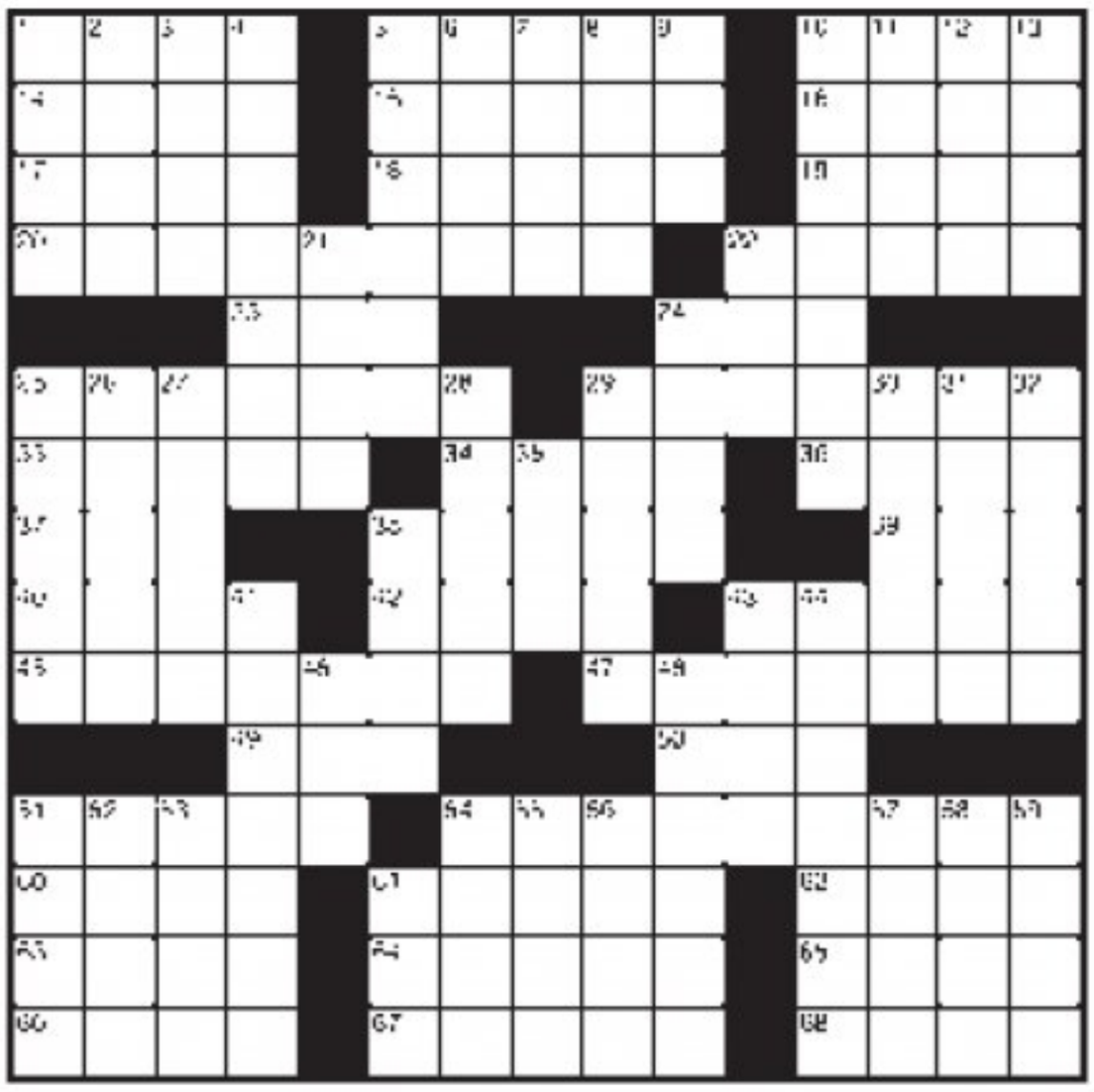

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25 Fish hawks
29 Purple birds
33 Gives a thumbs-up
34 Mr. Diamond
36 Get groceries
37 – Solo and Chewbacca
38 Sleuth's clues
39 Baseball stat
40 "Tell Mama" James
42 Greets Rover
43 Copper and zinc
45 Prepare to land
47 Axiom
49 Scale tones
50 Panama pronoun
51 Debussy opus (2 wds.)
54 Flaky roll
60 Earnest request
61 Commends

Down

1 Burger side
2 Bobby's stick
3 Fido's food
4 Brickwork
5 Household
6 Pirate's chest?
7 Language of Pakistan
8 Ladder type
9 Bard's prince
10 Pours into a carafe
11 Clicked image
12 Libretto feature
13 Break in the action
21 Slapstick ammo
22 Chestnut hull
24 Hoedown honeys
25 -- and aahed
26 Rollerblade
27 Breathes hard
28 Golfer Sam --
29 Thick of things
30 "-- -- You Knocking"
31 Vikings
32 Twitch
35 Wolf, say
38 Hosp. aides
41 Amount of land
43 Good Queen --
44 Oven pan
46 Constantly, to Poe
48 Bank jobs
51 Links org.
52 Jai --
53 Patch
54 Hunter's garb
55 Causes a blister
56 "Garfield" pooch
57 Equal to the task
58 It may be enameled
59 Shallow container
61 Aberdeen kid
62 Ski lift (hyph.)
63 Urban threat
64 Scope
65 Charles Lamb
66 Man Friday
67 Rx amounts
68 Count on

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Aries A financial matter will leave you uncertain regarding your choices and current situation. Look at the long-term effects of following your passion.

Taurus Someone will take advantage of you if you are too gullible. Look at the variables involved before you choose to shoulder responsibilities.

Gemini Listen carefully and read between the lines. Deception is apparent when dealing with a person in your life. Ask direct questions to find out what is going on.

Cancer Expand your interests and open up your house for meetings and activities that will lead to new friendships and opportunities. Your generosity will help you advance.

Leo Helping someone or participating in a cause you believe in will encourage others to respect you. Taking action will show others that you mean business.

Virgo Look at the big picture and refuse to let your emotions take charge, which could cause you to damage your reputation. Think before you do something.

Libra Check out new prospects and explore possibilities that will encourage philosophical or spiritual growth. Live life instead of standing on the sidelines.

Scorpio Uncertainty will surface if you let your emotions take control. Use your skills and knowledge to help you overcome any obstacle. Trust in the facts, not in rumors.

Sagittarius Open up about your feelings, and listen to what others have to say. Your relationships will be challenged if you exaggerate.

Capricorn The way you present who you are and what you have to offer is important. Knowledge and expertise alone will not do the trick.

Aquarius A chance to turn something you love doing into a profitable endeavor looks promising. Set up meetings and plan your strategy to ensure a successful launch.

Pisces Playing games with someone's emotions will not help you get your way. Try to keep the peace. Diplomacy will be required. EUGENIA LAST

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